

# ROOSEVELT AT HOME, LIPS PADLOCKED

## CALL POLICE TO FIGHT LAUNDRY STRIKERS

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### STRIKEBREAKERS AND POLICE CALLED INTO LAUNDRY WAR; EXPRESSMEN MAY GO OUT

Strikers Demand No Wash Be  
Transported by Wagons  
From City.

ALL LINE UP FOR FIGHT.  
Attacks on Guarded Vehicles  
Bring Situation Up to  
Critical Point.

A meeting of the employing laundrymen at Harlem Casino this afternoon called ostensibly to discuss a settlement of the laundry strike, turned out to be a series of conferences between the laundrymen and the representatives of strikebreaking agencies. The employers made no secret of their intention to fill the strikers' places to-morrow with such strikebreakers as they could get, to demand police protection for their wagons, and to fight the issue out.

On the other hand, a delegation of laundry workers was appointed this afternoon to call on the express drivers' unions, to ask them to refuse to handle laundry packages. The laundry workers have learned that large quantities of laundry have been taken in express wagons to nearby New Jersey cities to be done. The strike leaders felt that the express drivers would go even to the point of declaring an express strike in their support.

If the water brings you a paper napkin when he comes to set your place to-night, don't soil it. It isn't his fault. It is the laundry strike. There are many restaurants up and down town which have not had a clean napkin or table cloth come into the house since Saturday. And there is little hope.

The restaurant man has not the resources of the mere collar and rolled shirt wearer. It would bankrupt the biggest of food stores to have to buy and buy and keep on buying clean things while the strike lasts.

One great restaurant sent an automobile full of strong-arm men to the Langfelder Laundry, on the East Side, to-day, to get its napkins and table cloths. The chauffeur was set upon by strike pickets, and after being pummeled for ten minutes, meekly got into his car and drove away.

CONFERENCE ENDS WITHOUT  
"CONCESSIONS FOR PEACE."

The Elks Club has 24,000 pieces of linen tied up at the Langfelder laundry. Three policemen were sent to the laundry to protect the wagon sent by the club. The wagon never got there. It was turned back by strikers at Second avenue and East Ninety-second street.

A wagon of the Howard laundry was raised by strikers at Third avenue and Sixth street. The driver and his helper abandoned their load.

Representatives of the steam laundries, the "hand work" laundries, the workers, the "flat laundry" workers, who do hotel work, met Colonel Michael J. Regan and John Bealin at the rooms of the State Board of Correction and Arbitration to-day and squabbled. William Armour, head of the 4,000 striking workers, left the conference early in the afternoon disgusted. He said that the representatives from the other side had no authority to act and would not agree to anything.

A new worry over the situation came to the "hand work" shops to-day. These are places which let out the rough-dry work to the big laundries and in some cases the starching and smoothing work too, keeping one or two girls pounding the ironing boards in their show windows as a bluff.

They pay the big laundries 10 cents a dozen for finishing collars and 25 cents a dozen for shirts, and charge their patrons \$1.25 a dozen for collars and from \$1.25 to \$1.50 a dozen for shirts for the distinguished service of starching them full of pink, putting paper bands around them and sending them around to the houses of patrons.

The rough-dry houses threaten to declare war on the "hand work" only brethren.

"The hand-work people," said an executive rough-dry operator to-day, "are getting all the profits out of the business. We are just making expenses for their benefit. We pay wages in many instances up to the mark of the present strike demands. If I could

**GIRLS WHO VANISHED  
FROM STAMFORD HOMES  
ON NEW YEAR'S DAY.**



A search was begun in this city to-day for three young girls who vanished from their homes in Stamford, Conn., New Year's day and are believed to have been enticed to New York by unscrupulous men. The girls are Mary and Ann Biellen, 15 and 16 years old, and Katherine Lynch, sixteen.

The Biellen girls are the daughters of Andrew Biellen, a well-to-do Stamford hotel keeper, whose home is at Canal and Pacific streets. Katherine Lynch is the daughter of Andrew Lynch who lives on Canal street, Stamford. Relatives of the three girls have had no word from them since they vanished.

When they left their homes they said they were going to a dance. Later they were seen riding on a trolley car to Portchester and they were seen standing on the platform of the Portchester station of the New Haven railroad, waiting for a train.

It was reported at first that Mary Biellen had eloped with a Stamford youth, who had come to New York on Monday, but he was at his home to-day and denied any knowledge of what had become of the three girls.

**Hits Patents Held by Trusts.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The cancellation of patents and copyrights controlled by monopolies was proposed in a bill introduced to-day by Representative Campbell of Kansas.

### 1,000 GIRLS FLEE IN PANIC FROM 11TH FLOOR FIRE

Blaze in Big Broadway Factory  
Building Drives Workers  
From High Lofts.

MAD RUSH FOR EXITS.

Foreman Trampled Under Feet  
of Stamping Waist  
Operators.

Memories of the Asch building disaster threw 1,000 girls into a panic late this afternoon, when a fire started on the top floor of the eleven-story manufacturing loft building at No. 526 Broadway. All these girls were at work on the six upper floors and nearly all of them had reached the street by way of the staircases and elevators when the firemen, investigating, found that the blaze they had been called upon to extinguish had burned itself out.

The only person injured in the mad rush was Max Ziemann, assistant foreman in the workshop on the eleventh floor of the Bijou Shirt Waist Company. He tried to stem the tide of girls rushing toward the exits and was knocked down and walked on. Frank Williams and Charles Robinson, the elevator men, took scores of girls from the top floors while the excitement was at its height.

1,000 AT WORK IN HIGH UPPER  
FLOORS.

The Bijou Shirt Waist Company occupies the seventh and eighth floors as well as the eleventh floor and employs 500 girls. Kaplan & Co. occupy the tenth floor, and Simon Mendelson & Co., manufacturers of underwear, the sixth and ninth floors. The two latter firms employ 500 girls in their shops.

The fire started in shifting under a long line of power sewing machines. It was caused by defective insulation. Thick smoke and the odor of burning rubber served to start several girls screaming, and in a moment the whole establishment was in a panic.

The building runs in the shape of an "L" into Spring street and there are plenty of stairways. Most of the girls took to the stairs. Others, finding that they were not pursued by the flames, they were not pursued by the flames, the elevators.

**SPREAD PANIC THROUGHOUT  
THE BUILDING.**

The girls piling down the stairs and screaming fire soon communicated their panicky condition to the operators in the factories below.

When the firemen arrived, the doors of the building were simply erupting girls and the din was deafening.

Capt. Walling and the reserve hurried from the Mulberry street station and were of great service in controlling the crowds on the street.

When the girls learned that the fire had been trifling they made a rush to get back to work almost as precipitate as that they had made to get away from their machines.

**MISS CIVIC PRIDE.**

**LIKE SUBWAY TANGLE.**

**'WAY UP IN THE AIR**

### SOUL OF HER CAT, SPOOK AT FIGHT OF \$2,000,000 WILL

Aged Spinster Maria Campbell  
Irrational and Influenced,  
One Heir Charges.

BLAMES LAWYER-HEIR.

Attorney De Witt Testifies Re-  
fusal to Draw Bequests Out-  
lined by Townsend.

As though a page had been torn from the old Knickerbocker "blue book" and its personages summoned to court, was the remarkable assemblage before Surrogate Fowler to-day when the contest to set aside the will of Maria L. Campbell, who left a \$2,000,000 estate to four favorite cousins, was continued.

In the forty or more men and women of aristocratic ancestry and bearing who seek to break the octogenarian spinster's will, there were stately Van Rensselaers, proud Livingstons, Crobergs, old and young; Campbells, richly gowned, and Townsends, with long-gorgettes and splendid furs, and Scudders and Berrys and others who go to make up "old New York." Many of the women, worn with age, gossiped and greeted others they had not met for years.

**DREW UP WILL BY TOWNSEND'S  
INSTRUCTIONS.**

A woman who believed that a cat had a soul and who would not walk except with Kitty, and who believed that the soul of her long dead sister Katherine was "still upstairs," was not in her proper mind, the aristocratic contestants hold, to make a will. William H. De Witt, under whose direction Miss Campbell's will was drawn, was called to testify to having Howard Townsend, the executor of the will, in his office in October, 1906.

"He came to my office and asked me to draw up a will for Miss Maria L. Campbell," testified the lawyer. "He had a memorandum in his writing. I had not seen Miss Campbell."

"What did Mr. Townsend say to you?" pressed Judge W. O. Osborne, who represents the contestants.

"He said Miss Campbell had given him instructions to draw her will and asked her about the power to sell the real estate. He produced a list of legatees with a residuary clause. He said she wanted to give her residuary estate to her four first cousins. I suggested changes and he asked me to draw it, but I declined."

An engrosser from Mr. De Witt's office drew up the instrument later.

William B. Blackwell, a lawyer, son of Emily B. Livingston, and one of the contestants, was the first witness to directly charge that the executor, Howard Townsend, had exercised influence with the spinster detrimental to the claims of relatives not mentioned in her will. Blackwell described a conversation he had with Townsend, in company with Stephen Van Rensselaer, after Miss Campbell's death.

### Fiancee of Pastor Richeson, Sought By Boston District-Attorney



**DAYLIGHT ROBBER  
BEATS ENGRAVER IN  
JEWEL DISTRICT**

Aged Victim at Work in Nassau  
Street Shop When Assail-  
ant Struck Him.

Henry Garland, an engraver of No. 16 Howard place, Jersey City Heights, was assaulted and robbed to-day while at work alone in his office on the top floor of the building at No. 75-77 Nassau street. The thief, who made his escape, left the engraver, who is seventy-nine years old, seriously injured after stealing a ring, a pair of cuff buttons and \$3 in cash.

Garland sustained a badly lacerated scalp and concussion of the brain in his fight with the robber. He was removed to the Hudson Street Hospital, where it was said that on account of the advanced age of the victim his injuries were serious.

About 11 o'clock, a man whom Garland is unable to describe, entered the shop of Charles Gold on the same floor of Garland, and asked for John Jaglinsky, a head maker, who works with Garland. Gold directed him to the engravers' shop and returned to his work.

Shortly after that Garland tottered into Gold's place and cried out that he had been robbed and beaten fell to the floor in a faint.

Garland told the police that he had been sitting at his bench in his little shop, which is about 10x4, when he heard the door open. He called out "What is it?" and for an answer received two heavy blows on the back of the head. Before he lost consciousness he saw a hand take a wedding ring and a pair of cuff buttons upon which he had been working from the table, then open a chest of drawers and abstract \$3, which he had placed there but a short time before.

Remember the janitor says that a suspicious looking man also tried to enter his apartments about half an hour before Garland was held up.

### TAFT TELLS BOOMERS TO MAKE NO ATTACKS ON COL. ROOSEVELT

President Surprised at the Talk About  
a Quarrel, and Says His Friends  
Should Assume a Sim-  
ilar Attitude.

CROWD HERE IS WAITING  
FOR A SIGN FROM COLONEL.

Overwhelm Oyster Bay With Fran-  
tic Demands for a Definite State-  
ment as to His Intentions.

(By Associated Press.)  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Word was sent broadcast to-day to supporters of President Taft that under no circumstances would the President countenance attacks on Col. Theodore Roosevelt, no matter what the ultimate intention of the former President in regard to the Republican Presidential nomination might be.

It was said to-day that the President has expressed himself as being at a loss to account for reports that relations between him and Col. Roosevelt were seriously strained. He has not taken opportunity to reply directly to any utterances of Col. Roosevelt that have been interpreted in some quarters as attacks upon the policy of the Administration and it is said does not wish his friends to go any further than he has.

### Roosevelt Stays in Oyster Bay While Crowd Awaits a Sign.

"Hypocrisy is as revolting in a nation as in a man; and in the long run I do not believe that it pays either man or nation."

From Col. Roosevelt's letter on the Peace Treaty.

Although Col. Roosevelt was besieged at his home in Oyster Bay to-day with requests that he comment on the announcement of President Taft that nothing but death will keep him from trying for the renomination for the Presidency, the Colonel kept himself secluded. Through his secretary, Mr. Harper, he intimated that he may have something to say when he reaches his office in the editorial rooms of the Outlook to-morrow.

The Roosevelt mansion at Sagamore Hill is impenetrable. The Colonel would not even receive written communications—at least, all such communications were returned to the reporters, who sent them in by Secretary Harper. This was the only message that sifted out to the intrepid information seekers, who had driven over to the Colonel's home from Oyster Bay.

Col. Roosevelt does not care to comment on the news from Washington.

Everybody is expecting a statement from the Colonel of some sort. He is being overwhelmed by demands that he make plain to his followers whether he wants the nomination for himself or for some Western progressive. Volunteer boomers for Supreme Court Justice Hughes are pulling wires in the hope that Justice Hughes is the Colonel's dark horse, and that the confusion and smoke arising from the Colonel's tactics are meant to cover up a Hughes design.

**TAFT ANNOUNCEMENT LOOKED  
UPON AS A CHALLENGE.**

The statement sent out from Washington yesterday that President Taft is in

lowest battleship bids are near \$6,000,000.

New York Shipbuilding and Fore River Companies in Line for Contracts for New Vessels.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—Bids for the construction of the two 25,000 ton battleships Oklahoma and Nevada were opened here to-day. The lowest proposals were from the New York Shipbuilding Company of Camden, N. J., at \$5,925,000 for one ship and the Fore River Shipbuilding Company of Quincy, Mass., at \$5,925,000 per ship.

**Death Injury for a Workman.**

Joseph Yumick, twenty-four years old, an electrician employed in the Johnson Street Casting Works at Spuyten Duyvel, was on a step-ladder replacing a light when an electric traveling crane struck him and crushed the lower part of his body. He was taken to Firdham Hospital dying.

**COMMUTATION FOR MORSE  
IS DISCUSSED BY TAFT.**

Report of Army Board on Ex-Banker's Condition Taken Up From New Standpoint.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—T. B. Felder, of Atlanta, Ga., counsel for Charles W. Morse, to-day discussed with the President and Acting Attorney-General Fowler the commutation of Morse's sentence. Mr. Felder, it was said, took up the report of the army medical board, which recently examined the former banker, from a standpoint not heretofore presented.

He made no complaint as to the treatment Morse had received at the Atlanta penitentiary.

**Chinese Minister  
TO QUIT WASHINGTON.**

Chang Ying Tang, Who Leaves  
Next Week, Has Given No  
Reason for His Going.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The Chinese Minister to Washington, Chang Ying Tang, has decided to quit his post here after a stay of a year and a month. The reason for his decision is as yet unknown. He will leave the capital next week for China, taking his family with him and leaving Yung Kwai, the first secretary, in charge of the Legation.

**Price Lawyer Killed by Auto.**

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 4.—Joseph A. Bryan, a prominent attorney and clubman of this city, was killed by an automobile today. He was crossing a downtown street today. Bryan was the son of a former well-known Democratic politician of the city.

**ALMANAC FOR TO-DAY.**

Sun rises, 7:24; sets, 4:46. Moon rises, 11:45; sets, 1:45. High water, 1:45; low water, 7:45.

**FILE TIMES.**

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